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Dear Mr. Gardner:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Schedule B supporting Line 23 discloses contributions to federal candidates for which no election designation has been provided. Please note that if no designation is included in your report, the contributions will be attributed to the next upcoming election for the recipient candidate. Thus, for future reporting purposes, it is in your committee's interest to designate the appropriate election in order to avoid the appearance of excessive contributions made to federal candidates by your committee.

Any amendment or clarification should be filed with the Federal Election Commission. Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations, and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division). My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

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